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Title: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS FOR THE TREATMENT OF

DISEASES RELATED TO NEUROTROPHINES

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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 11, 2008, in which the Office finally rejected claims 22-25 and 42 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including June 11, 2009.

Also transmitted is the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1) for this Notice of Appeal. If there are any additional charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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